There is a reason why folks are turning to satellite radio. It offers much more in terms of the variety of music it plays and programming it provides. As someone who was tired of finally finding a station I liked on FM radio just to have it sold and undergo a format change several months later, satellite radio became the answer to my prayers. I can find a station that plays music I want to hear, whatever mood I'm in. And it's commercial-free! Local radio programming does not offer that; it's virtually the same thing on every station, with incessant chattering between songs. Since I am paying for the services of satellite radio, I'd like to have the availability of all types of programming, including local weather & traffic. For me, there's no going back to local radio stations.

Therefore, I respectfully urge you to reject NAB's petition and support XM Radio's ability to provide ALL types of programming.